STATE OF MAINE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Docket No. 2001-407

August 9, 2001

BANGOR HYDRO-ELECTRIC COMPANY Request for Approval of Special Rate Contract with Cold Stream Lumber Company ORDER

WELCH, Chairman; NUGENT and DIAMOND, Commissioners

SUMMARY OF DECISION

By this Order, we allow the special rate contract between Bangor Hydro-Electric Company (BHE or the Company) and Cold Stream Lumber Company (Cold Stream or the customer) to go into effect but we do not make any finding regarding its reasonableness.

DISCUSSION AND DECISION

On June 13, 2001, BHE filed with this Commission a proposed one-year special rate contract with Cold Stream. In its request for approval, the Company requested that the contract be effective as of June 9, 2001.

We have reviewed the contract and find that there is no significant risk to BHE's other customers as a result of this Agreement. Therefore, we will allow the contract to go into effect but make no determination regarding its reasonableness or how the revenues associated with it should be treated for ratemaking purposes.

Accordingly, we

ORDER

That the special rate contract with Cold Stream Lumber Company, filed by Bangor Hydro-Electric Company on June 13, 2001, is hereby approved and may become effective as of June 9, 2001, as requested by the Company.

Dated at Augusta, Maine, this 9th day of August, 2001.

Dennis L. Keschl
Administrative Director

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS VOTING FOR: WELCH

NUGENT DIAMOND

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